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Obstetric and Neonatal Services Inspection Checklist- Final

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5	STANDARD ONE: REGISTRATION AND LICENSURE PROCEDURES				
5.4.	The health facility should develop the following policies and procedure; but not limited to:				
5.4.1.	Patient acceptance criteria				
5.4.2.	Patient assessment and admission				
5.4.3.	Patient education and Informed consent				
5.4.4.	Patient health record				
5.4.5.	Infection control measures and hazardous waste management				
5.4.6.	Incident reporting				
5.4.7.	Patient privacy				
5.4.8.	Medication management				
5.4.9.	Emergency action plan				
5.4.10.	Patient discharge/transfer.				
5.5.	Health facilities providing obstetric and neonatal care shall develop and implement a policy for falls management.				
5.11.	The health facility shall ensure it has in place adequate lighting and utilities, including temperature controls, water taps, medical gases, sinks and drains, lighting, electrical outlets and communications.				
6	STANDARD TWO: HEALTH FACILITY REQUIREMENTS				
6.5.	The Maternity Unit incorporates:				

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6.5.1.	Birth Unit				
6.5.2.	Inpatient accommodation – Antenatal				
6.5.3.	Inpatient accommodation – Postnatal				
6.5.4.	Nurseries:				
a.	Well Baby Nursery (WBN) or General Care Nursery (GCN)				
b.	Special Care Baby Unit (SCBU) or Special Care Nursery (SCN)				
c.	NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) - which may be co-located with other Intensive Care Units and should be separate from the Maternity Unit.				
6.7.	The maternity unit shall be located and designed to prohibit non-related traffic through the unit.				
6.8.	Labour Deliver Recovery (LDR) rooms may be located in a separate LDR suite, in close proximity to the caesarean delivery suite.				
6.9.	Antenatal (antepartum) rooms shall be single-patient rooms, and should be at least 3.65 meters wide by 3.96 meters deep exclusive toilet rooms, closets, lockers, wardrobes, alcoves, or vestibules.				
6.10.	The LDR or LDRP room should be equipped with the following:				
6.10.1.	Delivery bed				
6.10.2.	Birth light				
6.10.3.	Medical gas and vacuum system accessible to the mother's delivery area and infant resuscitation				
6.10.4.	Nurse call system				
6.10.5.	Telephone or communication system				
6.10.6.	Sixteen (16) Electric receptacles (8 convenient to head of bed with one on each wall and four (4) convenient to each bassinet with one on each wall).				
6.10.7.	Hand washing station				

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6.10.8.	Medical and general waste bin				
6.10.9.	Sharps container				
6.11.	A minimum of one caesarean delivery room shall be provided for every obstetrical unit unless direct access for caesarean delivery procedures is provided in surgical operation room.				
6.12.	New-born nursery room (if provided) should contain no more than sixteen (16) infant stations.				
6.13.	Support areas for obstetric unit should consist of the following:				
6.13.1.	Nurse station with dedicated documentation area				
6.13.2.	Secured medication safety zone				
6.13.3.	Nourishment area				
6.13.4.	Clean workroom or clean supply room				
6.13.5.	Soiled workroom or soiled holding room				
6.13.6.	Equipment and supply storage				
6.13.7.	Housekeeping services room				
6.13.8.	Hand washing station (including wall-mounted hand washing soap (non-refillable), sanitizer (non-refillable) and tissue box.				
6.13.9.	Examination/treatment and/or multipurpose diagnostic testing room (if required)				
6.13.10.	Clean linen cabinet				
6.13.11.	Staff changing room / staff resting room				
7	STANDARD THREE: OBSTETRIC SERVICE REQUIREMENTS				
7.2.	To provide antenatal care the facility should have the following equipment:				
7.2.1.	Vital signs Monitor				
7.2.2.	Fetoscope				
7.2.3.	Electrocardiogram (ECG)				
7.2.4.	Cardiotocography (CTG)				
7.2.5.	Ultrasonography				

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7.2.6.	Access to laboratory testing				
7.2.7.	Emergency crash cart with proper supplies and medication.				
	Level I - Basic care				
7.13.1.	Provide a basic level of care to uncomplicated pregnancies for pregnant women at thirty five (35) weeks of gestation and above.				
7.13.6.	Provide blood bank supplies 24/7, including protocols and capabilities for blood and blood component therapy, in addition having Group O Negative red cells (at least 2 units) available on site for emergency use.				
7.13.7.	Establish formal transfer plans in partnership with a higher-level receiving health facility.				
7.13.10.	The following equipment shall be available in each labour room:				
a.	A labour bed.				
b.	Vital signs monitor and stethoscope				
c.	CTG.				
d.	Access to portable ultrasonography.				
e.	Intravenous solutions and infusion pumps.				
f.	Equipment for inhalation and regional anaesthesia such as the following but not limited to:				
	• Boyle's apparatus				
	• Anesthesia kit				
	• Oxygen cylinder and mask				
	• Suction unit				
g.	Emergency/crash cart with proper supplies and medication such as:				
	• Defibrillators				
	• Suction devices				
	• Calcium chloride				
	• Sodium chloride				

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	• Intubation kits				
	• Anesthesia				
h.	Instruments and equipment for normal delivery including but not limited to the following:				
	• Forceps (artery, dissecting, sponge)				
	• Umbilical Cord Scissors				
	• Suction apparatus				
	• Equipment for adult resuscitation				
	• Equipment for neonatal resuscitation				
	• Sphygmanometer, adult and newborn thermometer and newborn weighing machine.				
7.13.11.	The hospital should have educational posters and clear pathways and protocols for major obstetric situations such as shoulder dystocia, Post-Partum Haemorrhage (PPH) and eclamptic seizure.				
7.14.8.	Health facilities providing Level I obstetric care shall provide a Level I. neonatal care services to new-born infants.				
	Level II - Specialty Care				
7.15.	Level II obstetric care can provide care to high-risk pregnancies and for pregnant women at thirty two (32) gestational weeks and above, unless an emergency medical condition exists.				
7.16.	Health facilities providing Level II obstetric care shall maintain the capabilities of Level I in addition to the below:				
7.16.1.	Capability to perform Computed Tomography (CT) scan and Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI).				
7.16.2.	Special equipment and care might be needed to accommodate the services needed for obese women and healthcare professionals should be trained to handle bariatric cases. Suggested equipment for bariatric women includes:				

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a.	Bariatric operating table				
b.	Bariatric profiling bed				
c.	Transfer chair				
d.	Bariatric folding wheelchair				
7.17.5.	Health facilities providing Level II obstetric care shall maintain level II neonatal care units.				
	Level III - Subspecialty Care				
7.18.	Level III obstetric care can provide care to more complex obstetric and foetal cases as well as pregnant women at less than thirty two (32) gestational weeks.				
7.19.	Health facilities providing Level III obstetric care shall maintain the same capabilities of Level II in addition to the below:				
7.19.1.	Provide advanced ultrasonography imaging services for maternal and foetal assessment with minimal of the following probes (convex, 4D convex, endo-cavity, linear, small part linear), including Doppler studies on 24/7 basis.				
7.19.2.	Have medical and surgical Intensive Care Units (ICUs).				
7.19.3.	Provide ventilation and ability to stabilize the patient in labour and delivery until transferred safely to ICU when needed.				
7.20.3.	Health facilities providing Level III obstetric care shall maintain level III neonatal care units.				
7.21.	Water birth requirements:				
7.21.1.	The Delivery room will require direct access to a water pool area; this may be integrated within the delivery room. Make sure to have an easy flow access and circulation around the pool.				
a.	Birth pools can be either permanently installed or portable as per the manufacturer's specifications.				

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b.	Surface should be non-slip, anti-bacterial, nonporous, moisture resistance, smooth, has no crevice or seams, and easy to clean.				
c.	Provision of grab rails for patients.				
d.	Easily accessible medical gases including nitrous oxide and oxygen used for pain relief to the pool area.				
e.	The pool should be regularly maintained.				
f.	Routine testing of the hospital water supply should be applied.				
g.	Consideration should be given to ensure that the pool temperature is controlled at the time of the birth.				
8	STANDARD FOUR: NEONATAL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS				
8.3.	To minimize the risk of infant abduction all areas including new-born nurseries, intrapartum and postnatal should be controlled and part of hospital safety program.				
	Level I - Basic care				
8.15.	Hospitals providing level II neonatal care shall maintain the below requirements, in addition to level I:				
8.15.1.	Access to radiology services (CT and MRI) on 24/7 basis.				
8.15.2.	The following range of equipment:				
a.	Neonatal intensive care incubators				
b.	Neonatal ventilator				
c.	Syringe/infusion pumps (0.1 ml/hour)				
d.	Neonatal resuscitator along with emergency/crash cart including proper supplies and medication.				
e.	Blood gas analyser				
f.	Phototherapy units				
g.	Portable x-rays				
h.	Portable ultrasound scanning				
i.	Breast pump machine				

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j.	Oxygen analyser/pulse oximeter				
k.	Umbilical arterial and venous catheter				
l.	Neonatal monitors to measure heart rate, respiratory rate, blood pressure, transcutaneous CO2 monitor, oxygen saturation and ambient oxygen				
n.	Portable incubator with ventilator.				
	Level III - Subspecialty intensive care (NICUs)				
8.16.3.	Provide a full range of physiologic monitoring equipment, laboratory and imaging facilities, nutrition and pharmacy support with pediatric expertise.				
8.16.4.	Provide hypothermia system (total body cooling) and capability to perform cerebral function monitoring.				
8.17.	All health facilities shall develop and implement a policy for nutritional management aimed to optimize nutrition and prevent malnutrition detailing the following, but not limited:				
8.17.1.	The importance of the breastfeeding.				
8.17.2.	Newborn babies who can start breast milk or formula milk by mouth or through nasogastric (NG)/ orogastric (OG) tube.				
8.17.3.	Newborn babies who are very small, sick or cannot coordinate sucking, breathing, and swallowing.				
8.17.4.	The outsourcing of the parenteral nutrition preparation and its administration.				
8.17.5.	The preparation (including the required equipment and preparation area), safe storage and handling of the new-born formula.				

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